

# The Grapevine

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## Nash Farm Honored

The City is proud to announce that the historic Thomas J. and Elizabeth Nash Farm (circa 1859) was unanimously approved for listing on the National Register of Historic Places by the Texas Historical Commission State Board of Review at their January 16, 2010 meeting held in Midland.

**The 1859 Nash Farm is the oldest remaining intact farmstead in Tarrant County.**

The National Register is the official federal list of districts, sites, buildings, structures, and objects significant in American history, architecture, archaeology, engineering, and culture. National Register properties have significance to the history of their community, state, or the nation.

The 1859 Nash Farm is the oldest remaining intact farmstead in Tarrant County. Extensive work was completed at Nash Farm to make it eligible for listing on the National Register. Work included restoring the farmstead to

its period of significance, including the house, barn, and cemetery. Over \$800,000 was raised from the community to support this restoration effort, which followed the Secretary of Interior's Standards for the Rehabilitation of Historic Properties. A Texas Historic Commission matching grant of \$30,000 was also used to restore historic doors, windows, and chimneys on the farmhouse.



Attending the meeting were (l-r): Council Member Mike Lease; Lee Roy and Pam McCain, Co-Chairs of the Nash Farm Capital Campaign Committee; Melda Stanfield, Chairman, Grapevine Heritage Foundation; Dwayne Jones, historic preservation consultant; Ross Bannister, Director of Heritage Programs and Preservation; David Klempin, Historic Preservation Officer; Dr. Curtis Ratliff, Chair of Nash Farm Committee, and Council Member Sharron Spencer.

Listing on the National Register is a great honor that is a permanent recognition of lasting importance. It brings national recognition to our beloved farm, highlighting its inherent value and historical significance. 🍇

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## DFW Connector News

To learn more about the DFW Connector project, visit [www.dfwconnector.com](http://www.dfwconnector.com), where you may sign up for e-alerts, or call the toll-free hotline at 1-877-411-4212. 🍇

# Parks and Rec

## Community Activities Center (CAC)

For information on these and much more, please refer to the Playbook Activity Guide, visit [www.gvpard.com](http://www.gvpard.com), visit the CAC at 1175 South Municipal Way, or call 817-410-3450.



### Cast for Catfish,

Saturday, April 10th, 8-11 am at The Church at the Cross/Memorial Baptist, 3200 William D. Tate. The lake is stocked with 500 pounds of adult catfish. Equipment and bait provided, or bring your own. Prizes awarded per age division. 16 years of age and up must have a valid fishing license.

### Mother/Son Sadie Hawkins Dance, "Super

### Heroes and Super Moms"

Super heroes and their mom/aunt/grandmother will enjoy games, dancing and light refreshments at the CAC on Saturday, April 17th from 7-9 pm. Dress in your favorite non-scary super hero costume. \$8 per person.

### Kids Cooking Expo

Ages 6 and up will love this one-night cooking adventure preparing and eating their masterpieces. Wednesday, April 14th, 4-5:30 pm. \$12 fee includes supplies and food.

### Annual Mom-N-Me "Pretty in Pink" Tea

Mother's (or aunt/grandmother) Day Tea on Saturday, May 8th, will be a special time to dress up for a whimsical time of sipping tea, nibbling on finger sandwiches, creating crafts and being "girly" at the Bessie Mitchell House. Identical sessions from 9:30-11 am, 1-2:30 pm, or 4-5:30 pm. Space is limited, so register today. \$10 per person.

### Functional Strength Training

This new class introduces the concept of functional training and teaches exercises that increase muscular strength and endurance, improve balance, agility and stamina by using everyday movement patterns as well as your own body weight. Six-week class; \$53. Wednesdays, 6 to 6:45 pm.

### Tiger Tots

This program, for preschool-age children 3 through 6, develops character qualities, improves motor skills, and enhances ability to pay attention and follow directions.

Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 1- 1:30 pm. \$30 per month includes a uniform.

### Get in Shape Boot-Camp Style

A variety of boot camps are offered to help you lose weight, change the shape of your body, strengthen, tighten and tone, and take your body to the next level. Nutritional guidance is also provided. Please refer to the Playbook or call the CAC for information on which boot camp may be best for you.

### PC Playtime

Children, ages 3 to 6, work on instructor-provided laptops to learn basic computer skills, thinking, problem solving, listening comprehension, early reading and writing. Fee: \$50.

### Spanish to Improve Your Employment Potential

This class develops listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in a fun environment for ages 18 years and up. Six-week program on Thursdays from 7-8 pm; \$90.

### Kid Stage Drama

Students, ages 6 to 11, learn to audition, rehearse, and perform in a show with props and costumes, while enhancing reading skills and teamwork. Six-week program on Tuesdays, 4:30-5:30 pm; \$75.

### Summer Camps

Don't wait until the last minute to plan your summer. Register now for these great camps: CAC Summer Camp (recreation based camp), Science, Lego, Art, Film-Making, Modeling, Barbie and Junior Jazzercise. Hurry! Space is limited.

## Arbor Day & Earth Day Celebrations

The City of Grapevine Parks and Recreation, Grapevine Garden Club, Keep Grapevine Beautiful (KGVB), and the Grapevine Baseball and Softball Association (GBSA) invite you to enjoy the Arbor Day & Earth Day Celebration on April 22nd at the Oak Grove Ballfield Complex, 2520 Oak Grove Loop South.

Festivities begin at 4:30 pm and include an Arbor Day 2010 Proclamation with remarks from Mayor William D. Tate, a tree dedication ceremony commemorating the 25th consecutive year that the City of Grapevine has held the distinction of Tree City USA, light refreshments and highlights of the GREEN features added into the Ballfield Complex.

The City will also participate in Earth Hour on March 27th at 8:30 pm local time. Lights at all major, non-essential City facilities will be turned off to exhibit our commitment to conservation. To participate, visit [www.myeearthhour.org](http://www.myeearthhour.org).



## Grapevine Aquatics

Dove and Pleasant Glade Pools open May 29th and remain open until September 11th. For hours, admission, season pass or pool rental information, please visit [www.gvpard.com](http://www.gvpard.com).

Learn to Swim classes are available for all levels.

Choose group, semi-private or private lessons. Register now! 🍇



GHS Senior Jenny Maxwell was named Texas Amateur Athletic Federation 2009 Female State Athlete of the Year. Federation membership consists of over 140 organizations with over 210,000 individual participants. Athletes of the Year are selected based on athletic achievement, sportsmanship, character and academics. Grapevine is very proud to call this extraordinary young lady a Grapevine native! 🍇



## Leagues

<i>Leagues</i>	<i>Registration</i>	<i>Late Registration (10% late fee)</i>	<i>Fee</i>	<i>Season</i>
<b>ADULT LEAGUES</b>				
Spring Indoor Coed Volleyball	March 28-April 4	April 5-12	\$145/team	April 20-June 15
Spring Sand Coed Volleyball	March 28-April 4	April 5-12	\$150/team	April 19-July 1
<b>YOUTH LEAGUES</b>				
Spring/Summer Youth Basketball New G Buck League - Achieve Higher Goals Now and the City of Grapevine are joining efforts to create a league in Grapevine. For more details, visit <a href="http://www.gvpard.com">www.gvpard.com</a>	March 1-22	March 23-31	\$75/individual resident; \$85/individual non- resident; \$450/resident team and \$470/non- resident team	May 1-June 26

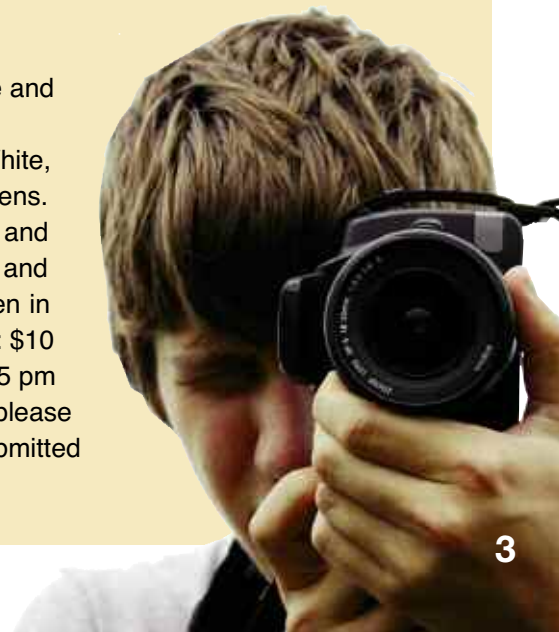
## Calling All Camera Buffs

### What's Great in Grapevine Photography Contest

Got a good eye? Any good at taking pictures? Take your best shots of Grapevine and enter the Grapevine Parks and Recreation Photography Contest.

One photo may be submitted in each of the following categories: Black and White, Insects and Wildlife, Landscape, Flowers, City Views, and Grapevine Botanical Gardens.

The following age groups will be used to determine prizes: Amateur only for 5-10 and 11-15; amateur and advanced amateur for 16-22, 23-50, and 51 and up. Amateur and Advanced Amateur categories will be judged separately. Photographs must be taken in and of the City of Grapevine. No models, staged people, or props may be used. Fee: \$10 per person for the first entry, and \$7 for each additional entry. Deadline for entries is 5 pm Monday, July 26th. Awards reception will be August 14th. For more information, please contact Geri Foster at 817-410-3470, or at [gfooster@grapevinetexas.gov](mailto:gfooster@grapevinetexas.gov). All submitted entries become property of the City of Grapevine. 🍇



# Convention and Visitors Bureau

Please visit [www.GrapevineTexasUSA.com](http://www.GrapevineTexasUSA.com) for more information on any of these exciting events.

**First Friday Film Series, Victor Victoria, April 2nd, Palace Theatre, 7:30 pm.**

**Easter Bunny Train – April 3-4; Cotton Belt Depot, 1 pm** - Join the Easter Bunny and hop aboard the Easter Bunny Fun Run excursion to the Fort Worth Stockyards. The entire family will enjoy the ride.

**Live! At the Palace Concerts with Trace Bundy, April 9th. 7:30 pm** - Trace Bundy is an instrumental acoustic guitar player known to fans as “The Acoustic Ninja” for his legato/finger-tapping skills.

**9th Annual Spring Into Nash Farm, April 10th, 10 am – 2 pm** - Enjoy old-fashioned family fun at the farm and help plant the spring garden. There will be a petting zoo, pony rides, sack races, and Grapevine FFA show animals. Learn how quilts are made, tour the Nash Farmhouse, and listen to stories from Thomas and Elizabeth Nash.

**Grapevine Market, April 10th through October 16th; Liberty Park, 9:30 am to 2 pm** - The ever-popular, open-air Grapevine Market makes its seasonal arrival to Historic Downtown Grapevine on Saturday, April 10th, and will be open to the public every Thursday and Saturday until October 16th.

**New Vintage Jazz Wine Train – April 16-17, Grapevine Vintage Railroad** - This captivating excursion features several Grapevine wines, various delectable foods and live jazz entertainment in each passenger car. The Jazz Wine Train departs at 6:40 pm, returning at 9:30 pm. Tickets are \$55 per person.

**18th Annual Blessing of the Vines and New Vintage Wine & Gallery Trail, April 17th at Delaney Vineyards and Historic Downtown Grapevine** - Make springtime plans Saturday, April 17th to enjoy Grapevine’s New Vintage Wine & Gallery Trail sponsored by Park Place Motor Cars Bedford. Start the day at Delaney Vineyards at the Blessing of the Vines and New Vintage Wines, followed by a complimentary wine tasting. The New Vintage Wine Trail, 11 am to 5 pm, offers a memorable journey to experience the many unique winery tasting rooms of Grapevine. Complimentary shuttle service is available to Grapevine winery tasting rooms. The New Vintage Art Show in the Palace Arts Center will feature more than a dozen local artists displaying and selling original work. Come enjoy live music throughout the day, meet the artists and support local art. Passports, which include tastings at each winery, are \$45 per person.

**Afternoon at the Farm, April 23rd, noon-2 pm** - Participate in activities like Chatting with Chickens, Dig in the Dirt, Tractor Rides, and Tour the Tools.

**Fly a Kite, Nash Farm, April 24th, 10 am-2 pm** - Families are encouraged to bring their homemade kites to Nash farm to enjoy a day of kite flying.

**Live! At the Palace Concerts with Joseph Vincelli – April 30th, 7:30 pm** - Joseph Vincelli creates music from an array of sources which many others consider stretching the limits.

**Mother’s Day Train, May 9th, 1 pm** – Treat Mom to a special excursion on the Grapevine Vintage Railroad for Mother’s Day. Mothers get to ride the train for free when accompanied by family, and participate in a drawing for a special Mother’s Day gift.

**26th Annual Main Street Outdoor Adventure – May 21-23, Historic Downtown Grapevine** - Discover the adventures waiting for you at Grapevine’s 26th Annual Main Street Outdoor Adventure festival on May 21-23. This fun-filled adventure in Historic Downtown Grapevine highlights the City

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*Photos, clockwise from top: New Vintage Wine and Gallery Trail, Main Street Days, Mother’s Day Train, Spring Into Nash Farm*





# GREENER Cleaner Grapevine



## Grapevine's Smartscape Initiative

With spring planting season here, the City of Grapevine encourages gardeners to consider using native plants or xeriscaping.

Texas Smartscape is a resource providing information about trees, shrubs, grasses, and flowering plants that are either North Central Texas natives or adapted to the area's climate. Xeriscaping (landscaping that needs little to no watering) not only saves money on the monthly water bill, but these plants also help in improving water quality by removing pollutants from storm water.

Grapevine nurseries currently participating in the program are:



### **Blooming Colors Nursery and Landscaping**

2221 Ira E. Woods

817-416-6669 or [www.bloomingcolorsnursery.com](http://www.bloomingcolorsnursery.com)

### **Marshall Grain Co.**

3525 William D. Tate

817-416-6600 or [www.marshallgrain.com](http://www.marshallgrain.com)

Please visit the Texas Smartscape website ([txsmartscape.com](http://txsmartscape.com)) for detailed plant information. For specific plant or landscaping information, contact the above listed nurseries or the City Horticulturist at 817-410-3350, or [gardener@grapevinetexas.gov](mailto:gardener@grapevinetexas.gov). For program information, contact the Environmental Services Division at 817-410-3330. 🍇

## Don't Mess With Texas Trash Off

The 'Don't Mess with Texas Trash Off' is the single largest one-day clean-up event in the state. Join hundreds of volunteers on Saturday, April 3rd, to create a Greener, Cleaner Grapevine! Bring your family, neighbors, scout group or church friends. The school campus with the most volunteers wins a giant trophy, and participation supports community service requirements. This event is sponsored by Keep Grapevine Beautiful. Registration is at Dove Park, 1509 Hood Lane and Church at the Cross Memorial Baptist, 3000 William D. Tate, from 8 to 10 am. Preregister at [kgvb.org](http://kgvb.org). All supplies provided. Free food, prizes and entertainment at Dove Park from 11 am until 1 pm. 🍇

## Spring is Here! Save Water Nothing Can Replace It!

This is a great time to make water conservation a grass roots effort and ensure your irrigation systems are functional and operating correctly. Check your lawn sprinkler system and give it a tune-up to make sure everything is operating as it should.

Watering lawns accounts for half or more of all the water used at home during the summer months. According to experts, most lawns get twice as much water as they really need. Overwatering wastes hundreds of thousands of gallons of water each year. Just look around and you will see the signs: Water gushing down the curb; sprinkler heads that resemble geysers; sprinklers going full blast during a downpour. Those are wastes we really cannot afford. Make an effort to give your lawns the water it needs...but no more.

Also, please remember that City Ordinance prohibits watering between the hours of 10 am and 6 pm all year long. Violators may be assessed fines up to \$2,000 for each violation. 🍇

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as the ideal place to enjoy an active lifestyle and the great outdoors. Kick off summer in Grapevine where families gather for that ultimate grillin', chillin' and thrillin' experience. Festivities include an outdoor exhibition featuring interactive activities and grilling demonstrations. Festival guests will have the opportunity to watch and/or participate in scuba diving, BMX stunts, trampoline acrobat stunts, quad bungee jumping, kayaking, carnival and midway, mini excursions on the Grapevine Vintage Railroad and much more.

Main Street Outdoor Adventure will open on Friday, May 21st at 10 am, and as an added bonus, admission is free to

everyone until 5 pm. Hours are Friday and Saturday, 10 am to 11:30 pm and Sunday from 11 am to 6 pm. Admission prices are \$7 for adults, and \$5 for seniors (62+) and children (6-12). Weekend passes are available for \$15 and souvenir weekend passes are \$20. Admission is free for children five and under.

**SummerBlast – Every Friday from Memorial Day to Labor Day weekends Over Lake Grapevine, 9:30 pm** - For 15 consecutive weeks this summer, the skies overlooking Grapevine will be filled with a glowing array of colors as the City presents a firework spectacular every Friday at 9:30 pm starting Memorial Day weekend. 🍇

# Grapevine Library

## Knitters & Quilters

Grapevine Public Library Program Room is home to two groups of textile artisans: The DFW Machine Knitters Guild and Quilt Chat. The Knitters meet April 10th and May 18th at 10:30 am; the Quilters meet April 18th and May 17th at 2:30 pm.



## Grapevine High School Jazz Choir

The Grapevine High School Jazz Choir will perform a 1940's USO swing style show in the Library Program Room on Tuesday, April 13th at 7 pm.

## Grapevine Name Droppers

Grapevine Name Droppers is an informal group of genealogists meeting April 12th and May 10th at 10:30 am in the Program Room. Programs are free and open to the public.

## Earth Day Everyday

Dorayne Breedlove returns for Family Storytime on Earth Day, Thursday, April 22nd at 7 pm. This program on nature stories will teach new ways to protect and appreciate our world. Open to all ages.

## Cool School with Ms. Maria

Children learn as they sing and dance along with Ms. Maria at Family Storytime on Thursday, May 6th at 7 pm. This program includes songs in Spanish and English in celebration of Cinco de Mayo.

## Tarrant County Birth Network

The Tarrant County Birth Network will hold a chapter meeting in the Library Program Room on Thursday, May 13th at 7 pm. Topics are Cesarean awareness and vaginal birth after Cesarean.

## Summer Reading Programs

Summer will be here before you know it! Grapevine

Public Library offers Summer Reading Programs for children, teens, and adults, with activities and prizes for all ages. This year's programs start on Saturday, June 5th and end Sunday, August 22nd. Mark your calendar and win prizes for doing something fun—READING!

## Newspaper Archive Database

The Genealogy Department has a new newspaper database titled NewspaperArchive, which contains over 100 million searchable newspaper pages. Access is at the Library only.

## E-mail Alerts

The Library offers e-mail alerts to our patrons with personal e-mail addresses. Receive notification on holds, on material due within 2 days, and overdue material. Stop in at the circulation desk, call 817-410-3400, or e-mail (circulation@grapevinetexas.gov) to sign up.

## Teens Catch the Reading Express

Teens, ages 13–18, are needed to serve as volunteers assisting the Library staff with the 2010 Summer Reading Club Program. The program begins Saturday, June 5th and ends Sunday, August 22nd.



Interested teens must be available to volunteer a minimum of eight weeks during the summer program, must commit a minimum of 24 community service hours, complete a Summer Teen Volunteer Application (available at the Library), and attend a mandatory Teen Orientation on Tuesday, May 4th from 6 to 7 pm at the Grapevine Public Library.

For information, please contact Bennie Hicks, Volunteer Coordinator, at 817-410-3409. 🍇

# City Boards and Commissions

Applications are available at the City Secretary's Office, 200 South Main Street, on the City's website (www.grapevinetexas.gov), and the Grapevine Library, 1201 Municipal Way, and must be submitted by April 16, 2010 to the City Secretary. A separate application form is required for each board you apply. For questions, please call

817-410-3182.

Following is each advisory board and number of vacancies.

Board of Zoning Adjustments – 4;  
Building Board of Appeals – 4;  
Convention & Visitors Bureau Advisory Board – 4;  
Golf Course Advisory Board – 5;  
Grapevine 4B Economic Development Corporation Board – 3;

Grapevine Heritage Foundation – 7;  
Health Officer – 1; Historic Preservation Commission – 6; Housing Authority Board of Commissioners – 2; Library Board – 4; Metroport Teen Court Advisory Board – 1; Parks & Recreation Board – 2; Planning & Zoning Commission – 4, and Senior Citizens Advisory Board – 3. 🍇

## PD Program for Youth Interested in Law Enforcement Career

The Grapevine Police Department, in conjunction with the Boy Scouts of America, is the sponsor agency for Explorer Post #178, offering a unique experience for any youth who may be interested in a law enforcement career. Explorer participants are involved with community service while receiving



*From left to right are: Senior Officer Terry Caldwell, Explorer Chris Hollwedel, Explorer Westin Beavers, Past Explorer Kat Saunders, Past Explorer Cody Harris, Past Explorer Josh Hay and Senior Officer Mike Kirchenbauer*

extensive training and hands-on experience. Explorers also participate in organized competitions throughout the state.

Participants are not required to be a resident of Grapevine. Requirements must be met for eligibility into the Explorer Program. Please contact Senior Officer Mike Kirchenbauer at 817-251-5295 for more information. 🍇

## Grapevine PD Online Services

### Nixle

Nixle is a free, online, real-time message service for residents to receive alerts, advisories, traffic and weather information for the geographic area and time frame they choose. For more information and to sign up, visit [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com).

### Online Crime Reporting

Police reports for crimes that do not require an immediate visit by a Grapevine police officer may be filed online at the City's website: [www.grapevinetexas.gov](http://www.grapevinetexas.gov). Under online services, click "File a police report."

### View Crime Statistics of Interest

Crimereports.com is the world leader in online crime mapping, with nearly 700 law enforcement partners across North America, and sex offender data for all 50 states. You may access specific data on crime type, date, and/or area under "crime data." 🍇

## National Public Gardens Day

The City of Grapevine, Grapevine Parks and Recreation, Grapevine Botanical Gardens at Heritage Park, Keep Grapevine Beautiful, Grapevine Art Project, Grapevine Garden Club, and Tarrant County Master Gardeners are teaming up to bring National Public Gardens Day to local residents on May 7th at the Grapevine Botanical Gardens at Heritage Park, 411 Ball Street, from 11 am to 6 pm.

Enjoy viewing completed landscapes, floral, and wildlife paintings. Garden Docents will be stationed throughout the garden to educate and answer questions. The Children's Potting Bench will be open to all youth, and craft activities for youth will be available in the Garden.

Preservation Trees Services, Inc. is the proud sponsor of the National Public Gardens Day Event in Grapevine. 🍇

## Senior Activities Center (SAC)

All activities are available to adults 55 years and better. For more information, please call 817-410-8130. The Senior Activities Center is located at 421 Church Street.

### Springtime Dances

Classic Country entertains April 10th, the Gary Lee Orchestra performs May 8th, and Pete & Patti play June 5th. The fun begins at 7 pm. Bring a snack to share at intermission. Awesome entertainment for only \$5 per person.

### AARP Defensive Driving

May 7th from 1-5 pm. Successful completion of the eight-hour course helps to reduce the cost of automobile liability insurance. Cost is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members.

### Senior Golf Tournament

Thursday April 22nd, 7:30 am at the Grapevine Golf Course. Fee is \$56.00 per person for ages 60 and up; \$70 for 55-59 years of age. Green fees, cart, prizes and lunch are included. Register at the SAC by April 12th.

### Experience Canada, September 30th to October 8th

Enjoy the nostalgia of a golden era aboard VIA Rail's The Canadian, which was the first and only all-stainless steel dome streamliner in Canada in 1955. Travel from Vancouver to Jasper enjoying first-class meals and awe-inspiring Canadian Rockies vistas. Private sleeping compartment and meals included. Per person rates, including airfare from DFW, are: Single, \$3,799; double, \$2,999, and triple, \$2,949. Deposit of \$250 due by April 30th. For more information, contact Kaye Grayson at the SAC. 🍇







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## ECRWSS Grapevine Resident

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### GED Classes Offered

The Grapevine Community Outreach Center, 3010 Mustang Drive, offers free GED classes for students preparing to take the GED test. Classes are offered in English or Spanish on Thursdays from 10 am to noon, or from 7 to 9 pm. Please contact Roland Johnson at 214-994-0625 for further information.

### Grapevine Resident Appreciation Special at Grapevine Golf Course

**FREE Green Fee and  
Cart Fee For 18 Holes**

*Valid Monday-Thursday  
(Not valid on holidays or tournament play)  
One coupon per household,  
No photocopies accepted  
Coupon must be presented upon check-in,  
Expires August 31, 2010*

### WHOM TO CONTACT

Animal Control  
817-410-3370  
City Hall  
817-410-3000  
City Manager's Office  
817-410-3105  
City Secretary's Office  
817-410-3182  
Community Activities Center  
817-410-3450  
Convention and Visitors Bureau  
817-410-3185  
Fire Department  
911, 817-410-8100  
Municipal Court  
817-410-3284  
Grapevine Library  
817-410-3400  
Parks & Recreation  
817-410-3470  
Police Department  
911, 817-410-3255  
Public Works  
817-410-3330  
Senior Activities Center  
817-410-8130  
Website  
[www.grapevinetexas.gov](http://www.grapevinetexas.gov)

## Grapevine PD Offers Advice to Avoid Census Fraud or Identity Theft

Census forms were mailed to every residence in the U.S. and Puerto Rico in March. From April to July, the Census Bureau will knock on the door of every household that did not mail back a completed 2010 Census form. Households are required by law to respond to the Census Bureau's request for information. The Grapevine Police Department cautions residents to be cooperative—but cautious.

For your protection, please know that valid U.S. Census takers will:

- Have identification, a handheld device, and a confidentiality notice;
- never ask for your social security number or any bank or credit card-related information;
- never ask you for money or say that you owe money;
- not harass or intimidate you; not request personal information by email.

Residents are urged to call toll free 1-866-861-2010 to verify the identity of Census workers.

For more advice on avoiding identity theft and fraud, visit [www.bbb.org](http://www.bbb.org).



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